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REPLY TO

Operations Division
Regulatory Branch
2011-925

Matthew Cangioli
CSX Transportation
500 Water Street-J200
Jacksonville, Florida 32202

Dear Mr. Cangioli:

I refer to your letter and Environmental Report, received in this office July 15, 2011, regarding the abandonment of approximately 2.39 miles of rail line from Railroad Milepost PLK 0 to Railroad Milepost PLK 2.39, known as the Koppel Lead, in Koppel, Beaver County, Pennsylvania. CSX Transportation proposes to remove material by use of right of way for access, along existing public and private crossings, the crossties and/or other debris will be transported away from the rail line and will not be discarded along the right of way nor be placed or left in streams or wetlands, or along the banks of such waterways. During track removal, appropriate measures will be implemented to prevent or control spills from fuels, lubricants or any other pollutant materials from entering any waterways.

Based upon the information submitted, there will be no impacts to waters of the United States, therefore a Department of the Army Permit is not required. If your project plans change, please contact this office.

You may begin the work after you have received any required State and local permits.

If you have any questions, please contact Linda Everley at 412-395-7152 or e-mail: Linda.L.Everley@usace.army.mil.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Karen A. Kochenbach", written over a horizontal line.

Karen A. Kochenbach

Chief, South Section, Regulatory Branch

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